(c) the nodal agency, if any, put in place to monitor the process of construction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been informed by DDA that the total length of the flyover from NH-8 to Dwarka Dwar is 6 Kms. It includes an underpass near Palam Technical Area and elevated road of 2 Kms. over Palam Colony. The total approximate cost of the project is Rs. 100 crores and the project is expected to be completed by March, 2005.

(c) The Delhi Development Authority is the nodal agency to monitor the progress of the project.

**Comprehensive Urban Transport Policy for cities**

129. SHRI R. P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a comprehensive Urban Transport Policy is being formulated to introduce Metro Rail system in some cities like Cochin, Trivandrum, Ahmedabad, Lucknow and Kanpur to provide mass rapid transport system on the pattern of metro rail project in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details of the specific proposals worked out, if any, for other cities and their present status?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) The comprehensive National Urban Transport Policy is in the form of guideline to the State Governments who are primarily concerned with the subject of Urban Transport. There are no specific proposals in the policy for introduction of Metro Rail in any of the cities on the pattern of Delhi Metro. It would be for the State Governments to work out the details of any such project proposals which could then be considered for support by the Central Government.